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The amendment filed on 10/10/01 amending claim 98 drawn to the elected invention and presenting an amended claim 98 drawn to a non-elected invention is non-responsive (MPEP § 821.03). Amended claim 98 is not readable on the elected invention because in the restriction set forth in Paper No. 22, Group II (claim 98) was drawn to a method of inhibiting anergic T cell responsiveness with an agent which *transduces a signal* via the cytokine receptor γ chain; whereas amended claim 98 is drawn to a method comprising contacting with an agent that *prevents or disrupts signaling* via the cytokine receptor γ chain. Therefore, the art rejections of record do not pertain to the claim as amended.

Since the above-mentioned amendment appears to be a *bona fide* attempt to reply, applicant is given a TIME PERIOD of ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS, whichever is longer, from the mailing date of this notice within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) ARE AVAILABLE.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Jessica Roark, whose telephone number is (703) 605-1209. The examiner can normally be reached Monday to Friday from 8:00 to 4:30. A message may be left on the examiner's voice mail service. If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Christina Chan can be reached at (703) 308-3973. Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application should be directed to the Technology Center 1600 receptionist whose telephone number is (703) 308-0196.

Papers related to this application may be submitted to Technology Center 1600 by facsimile transmission. Papers should be faxed to Technology Center 1600 via the PTO Fax Center located in Crystal Mall 1. The faxing of papers must conform with the notice published in the Official Gazette, 1096 OG 30 (November 15, 1989). The CM1 Fax Center telephone number is (703) 305-3014.

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